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that we need that extra percentage in there just to figure out if we have to have it. But I still say, it's like been said before, that we going to have to try to go to the zero, but we need that flexibility if we need it. So I don't think this is a time to go down to the two, and so I hope that everybody would leave it like it is. So thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Jones. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I appreciate the discussion and I appreciate the fact that I think everybody is very sincere about what they are saying in the discussion. I guess I would like to say, in response to Senator Kristensen's remarks, that I guess you could have a deviation in every district practically if half of them deviated one way and the other half deviated the other way, I mean that's the way I understand it, as long as your total deviation didn't get to be over ten percent under the way it's written right now. And maybe there is...maybe there is a compromise here. I...what I do not want to happen, and I do appreciate what you're all saying about those districts having little bumps and "quiggles" in them and people not being able to be in a...maybe a community of interest or a county even. I think maybe there are some really good reasons occasionally for deviating, but I would say only occasionally. And...and, remember, the ten percent is somewhat of an artificial standard too. I mean four percent is no more artificial than ten percent is. It's just...it just is determined by what we think we will tolerate, I believe. I...Senator Beutler, I wanted to ask you a question, if you would.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler, would you yield?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator Beutler, would you consider, at least, an approach that would maybe tighten this up a little bit so that not every district...we just deviated all over the place so that we could maybe have a...a parameter around that so only...we only tolerated so much deviation, or do you think that would be a wise and sensible idea?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, let me...let me preface my response